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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: PROPOSED ISLAMIC SA MIT CONFERENCE

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1. DURING MY FAREWELL CALL ON HIM NOVEMBER 21, PRIMIN BHUTTO RECALLED HIS CONVERSSKION WITH THE SECRETARY HERE NOVEMBER 9 REGARDING CALL FOR EARLY ISLAMIC SUMMIT CONFERENCE. AS RESULT OF THAT CONVERSATION, BHUTTO WAS NOW THINKING THAT THE CONFERENCE MIGHT CONVENE IN LAHORE AROUND END OF DECEMBER OR PREFERABLY EARLY JANUARY. (EARLIER PROPOSAL WAS FOR CONFERENCE TO TAKE PLACE IN LATTER PART OF NOVEMBER). BHUTTO SAID HE SAW A NEED TO REACT TO THE ENTHUSIASM WITH WHICH PROPOSAL HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN VARIOUS ISLAMIC CAPITALS. IT WAS HIS INTENTION, HOWEVER, TO KEEP RADICAL ARABS UNDER CONTROL SO THAT THEY DIDN'T DISRUPT EFFORT TO PROMOTE A GOOD PEACE SETTLEMENT. ALSO, AS HE HAD TOLD TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN HERE, HE DID NOT WANT THE MEETING TO TAKE ON ANTI-AMERICAN OVERTONES.

2. BHUTTO ASKED THAT I CONVEY THE ABOVE TO YOU AND I SAID I WOULD BE GLAD TO DO SO.
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